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Dear Mr. Altur:

SITE ASSESSMENT SECTION

Please find enclosed a copy of the revisions for Hedlund Manufacturing Screening Site Inspection (SSI) ILD 984775452. These revisions have addressed all the comments contained within the evaluation form of September 25, 1992. Please replace pages i, 4-1 through 5-2, and the 15-mile radius map in Appendix B of the report.

In regards to your first comment about doing an area survey of businesses prior to the ESI, I agree. During the SSI reconnaissance visit of the site, another particular business appeared worthy of sampling to determine if they were the possible source of public well contamination. I wanted to collect an off-site sample from this facility and another potential source as background, while the actual background would come from the city park. My supervisor did not allow me to do this.

The second comment concerns the levels of PCE contamination in the public supply wells. These wells are sampled on a quarterly basis. The raw water samples show PCE levels average between 7 and 18 ppb while TCE has been in the range of 3 to 7 ppb. However, Nokomis's finished water has been blended, passively aerated and lime softened. Finished water samples show the drinking water below the standards at about 1 to 3 ppb for total chlorinated solvents. Attached is a printout with the actual data from each well and the finished water. It is my understanding that the public has not been informed of the contamination.

Should you have any questions or additional comments concerning the enclosed documents, please feel free to call me at 217/782-6760.

Sincerely,

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